S. J. RES. 162

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

 $\label{eq:March 11, 1994} March \ 11, \ 1994$ Referred in the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating March 25, 1994, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy".

- Whereas the ancient Greeks developed the concept of democracy, in which the supreme power to govern was vested in the people;
- Whereas the Founding Fathers of the United States drew heavily upon the political experience and philosophy of ancient Greece in forming the representative democracy of the United States:
- Whereas these and other ideals have forged a close bond both between the United States and Greece and between their peoples;
- Whereas March 25, 1994, marks the 173rd anniversary of the beginning of the revolution that freed Greek people from the Ottoman Empire and enabled the reestablishment of democracy in Greece; and

Whereas it is proper and desirable to celebrate that anniversary with the Greek people and to reaffirm the democratic principles from which the United States and Greece were born: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That March 25, 1994, is designated as "Greek Independ-
- 4 ence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and
- 5 American Democracy", and the President is authorized
- 6 and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people
- 7 of the United States to observe the day with appropriate
- 8 ceremonies and activities.

Passed the Senate March 10 (legislative day, February 22), 1994.

Attest: WALTER J. STEWART,

Secretary.